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SUBJECT: (S/NF) KUDOS FOR "NORTHEASTERN SYRIA: IT'S MORE
THAN JUST UNHAPPY KURDS" (C-NE9-00660)

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Classified By: SUZANNE MCCORMICK, DIR., INR/OPS. REASON: 1.4(C).

[¶](#)1. (S/NF) WASHINGTON ANALYSTS COVERING SYRIAN POLITICAL
ISSUES VERY MUCH APPRECIATED DAMASCUS 000209 FROM POST ON
ATMOSPHERICS OUTSIDE OF THE CAPITAL. INFORMATION ON THIS
SUBJECT IS OFTEN DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN AND GREATLY ENHANCES
ANALYSTS' UNDERSTANDING OF SYRIAN SOCIAL AND CULTURAL
DYNAMICS. ANALYSTS ALSO VALUED THE FOCUS ON INTER-COMMUNITY
DYNAMICS BETWEEN CHRISTIANS AND KURDS IN NORTHEASTERN SYRIA.

[¶](#)A. (S/NF) ANALYSTS WOULD APPRECIATE CONTINUING TO RECEIVE
ANY INFORMATION ON SOCIAL DYNAMICS, MINORITY COMMUNITY
INTERACTIONS, AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, PARTICULARLY RELATED
TO AREAS OUTSIDE OF DAMASCUS THAT POST IS ABLE TO ACQUIRE,
TIME AND RESOURCES PERMITTING. MANY THANKS, AND REGARDS FROM
WASHINGTON.

[¶](#)2. (U) PLEASE CITE C-NE9-00660 IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF
REPORTING IN RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS.
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